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Arafat in Beirut after Iraq visit

BEIRUT, July 26 (R) -- Palestine Liberation Organisation Chairman Yasser Arafat arrived here today from Baghdad after a 4-day visit to the Iraqi capital. The PLO news agency said the Palestinian leader had talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on the Middle East situation, notably the Palestinian cause, as well as international questions. Before arriving in Baghdad, Mr. Arafat visited the Soviet Union, Nicaragua, Cuba and Czechoslovakia.

Deputy interior minister nominated as Iran premier

TEHRAN, July 26 (Agencies) -- President Abol Hassan Bani-Sadr, in an apparent compromise with his radical Islamic opponents, today nominated Deputy Interior Minister Mostafa Mir-Salim as Iran's new prime minister.

Following weeks of wrangling the fundamentalist Islamic Islamic Party (IRP), Mr. Sadr put forward Mr. Mir-Salim in a letter to the Majlis (parliament), which is expected to vote on the nomination tomorrow.

Mr. Mir-Salim, a 33-year-old trained engineer, is a member of the IRP's central committee, but is regarded as taking a more independent line within the party.

Profile of a compromise

TEHRAN, July 26 (R) -- Mr. Mostafa Mir-Salim, the French-trained chemical engineer who was proposed as Iran's prime minister, has risen swiftly to prominence since the revolution in June 1979.

Deputy interior minister, Mr. Mir-Salim, 33, has had the difficult task of heading the country's demoralised police force, which lost most of its authority to militant revolutionary guards after street fighting here last month between Islamic fundamentalists and left-wing Muslim *Mujaheddin* guerrillas in which at least 14 people were hit by gunfire. Mr. Mir-Salim criticised "clandestine" guards stationed outside the nearby U.S. embassy for acting indiscriminately.

Described as a Muslim and a revolutionary in a brief biography by the official Pars news agency, Mr. Mir-Salim is a leading figure in the Islamic Republican Party (IRP), which controls the parliament.

Juror backroom wrangling that preceded today's announcement of the nomination by President Abol Hassan Bani-Sadr, it appeared, never that Mr. Mir-Salim was not the IRP's first choice as prime minister.

More senior figures in the clerical party, such as former presidential candidate Jaleddin Farsi and Education Minister Mohammad Ali Rajai, were unacceptable to Mr. Bani-Sadr, informed sources said.

Mr. Mir-Salim is a hardliner but without the support in the IRP of Rajai. Perhaps that's why the president feels safer with him, one source said.

Mr. Mir-Salim's biggest task to date was supervising the national elections for the 270-seat Majlis earlier this year. Critics have questioned how successful he was, pointing to the 40 seats that are still vacant due to postponed polling in troubled regions and allegations of vote rigging.

As recently composed, the Majlis is heavily pro-IRP and proded he can form a cabinet, Mr. Mir-Salim should be approved by the Majlis.

Regional Briefs

ADDAB, July 26 (R) -- Saudi Arabia today confirmed for the first time that it had accepted the Ugandan dictator overthrown last year, was in the country. But the official Saudi press agency noted a responsible source as saying that the ex-president, a Muslim, was in the kingdom not as a refugee but to perform a pilgrimage to the holy places of Islam. The agency said that the source, commenting on British press reports that Amin had taken refuge in Saudi Arabia, had noted "It is the right of any Muslim to perform his religious duties." When a British television journalist interviewed the ex-president at a secret location earlier this year it was widely reported in the British press that the former Ugandan ruler was living in exile in a Jeddah hotel.

AIRO, July 26 (R) -- Egypt will not recall its ambassador to Israel if Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin moves his office to East Jerusalem, official sources were quoted as saying in today's edition of *Al Gounhouria* newspaper. An Israeli radio report quoted western sources as saying so, and added that President Anwar Sadat viewed the Israeli move as a unilateral annexation of the eastern sector of the city of Jerusalem. The Egyptian government has said that East Jerusalem is an integral part of the West Bank and regards any Israeli moves to annex it as null and void.

TEHRAN, July 26 (R) -- Iran's embassy in France is to be headed at the time being by a newly appointed chargé d'affaires, Mr. Ali Amir-Fatehi, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said today. The spokesman said the ambassador, Mr. Amir Ala'i, completed his assignment ten days ago and was remaining in Paris for a medical check-up. It was not known when Mr. Ala'i would return to Iran. The spokesman denied reports that Mr. Ala'i had resigned or had differences with Iranian Foreign Minister Sadeq Qotbzadeh, who visited Paris earlier this month.

CABAT, July 26 (R) -- King Hassan II of Morocco has appealed to Egyptian President Anwar Sadat to adopt a firm attitude against a decision to make occupied Jerusalem the capital of Israel. In a message to the Egyptian head of state published here today he appealed to President Sadat "to put an end to the Israeli challenge by demonstrating the greatest firmness" against the decision.

TEL AVIV, July 26 (R) -- Former Israeli foreign minister Moshe Dayan said yesterday he opposed a decision by Prime Minister Menachem Begin to move his offices to occupied East Jerusalem, annexed by Israel in 1967. In an interview on Israeli television, Mr. Dayan described the prime minister's decision as superfluous. "The Americans oppose it and it will impede the Egyptians in normalising relations with us because of anger in the Arab World and inside Egypt."

BEIJING, July 26 (R) -- The Chinese airline, CAAC, opens a new weekly route between Peking and Baghdad tomorrow, the airline announced in the *People's Daily* today. It is the first route opened by the Chinese airline to an Arab Middle East country.

Waldheim endorses call for Palestinian statehood

UNITED NATIONS, July 26 (R) U.N. Secretary-General Dr. Kurt Waldheim called for the establishment of an independent Palestinian state when speaking at a dinner given by the Arab League last night.



Dr. Kurt Waldheim

Mr. Andrew Young, who resigned last August as U.S. ambassador to the U.N. after a row over his unauthorised contact with the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), was among those present.

One guest said the Arab League representative at the U.N., Mr. Clovis Maksoud, was so pleased by Mr. Waldheim's strong pro-Arab position that he asked for a transcript of the statement and planned to distribute it verbatim.

There was no immediate reaction by U.N. officials to the account of Mr. Waldheim's remarks, said to have included a reiteration of his view that the PLO must be brought into peace negotiations and his endorsement of Palestinian self-determination.

Israel strongly rejects both propositions. The General Assembly, which began an emergency session on the Palestinian question last Tuesday, is expected to adopt a resolution early next week calling for total, unconditional Israeli withdrawal from Arab lands, and the creation of a separate Palestinian state.

Diplomatic sources said the vote for the resolution, tabled last night by some 30 non-aligned and communist members, was bound to be overwhelming.

The European Economic Community members were expected to abstain, despite a strong appeal by the United States that they join that country in opposing the text.

Israel has already called the special session illegal and declared that any resolution adopted would be invalid.

PLO claims 'total victory' at women's conference

COPENHAGEN, July 26 (AP) -- The Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) proclaimed "total victory" Friday night as a committee of the U.N. women's conference here voted it a prominent role mid-way through the U.N.-proclaimed decade for women.

The committee put into the action plan for the second half of the decade a provision that assistance to Palestinian women be given in "consultation and cooperation" with the PLO.

The vote was a clear setback for efforts by the Israeli, U.S. and most western delegations to remove from the action programme all elements preventing consensus.

The PLO observer delegation was jubilant. There was no way to prevent the plenary session next week from adopting an action plan that not only gives the PLO a role in handling U.N. funds, but also refers to Israel as "the occupied territories."

U.S. delegates would not immediately commit themselves on their stand in the plenary, but it was extremely unlikely that they would accept that kind of language.

"We don't know yet," one U.S. delegate said when asked about the American strategy for the plenary session.

Friday's vote came after four hours of committee debate that at one point had to be suspended simply because there was too much confusion on which of a number of rival motions the committee was supposed to be voting on.

The issue at stake was an action programme amendment and addendum submitted by India on behalf of Arab, socialist and most of the Third World countries.

Originally the amendment would have had all aid to Palestinian women channelled through the PLO, but India agreed to tone it down to the provision for consultations and cooperation with the PLO.

Still the amendment troubled Israel and many western countries because it ignored the existence of Israel as a state and flatly defined the PLO as "the representative of the Palestinians people."

Denmark made a last-ditch effort by moving that the issue be transmitted to a new "contact" committee with a few representatives from each of the U.N. regions. But despite backing from New Zealand, Britain, Sweden and other countries, the Bulgarian committee chairman refused to put the Danish motion to a vote.

The head of the U.S. delegation, Sarah Weddington, described the afternoon's defeat as "a session out of order."

"It's with a great sense of sadness that we see this conference not focusing on women's issues, but debating instead on issues wholly extraneous to it," she complained.

Ms. Weddington ruled out a walkout by the U.S. delegation from a plenary vote, however. She told the Associated Press, "We will continue to look for alternate ways" to arrive at a plan of action palatable to all delegations.

But several U.S. delegations sources indicated the United States would be forced to vote against the plan.

President Carter has so far kept a firm grip on his big batch of convention delegates who could ensure his renomination in New York as the Democratic presidential candidate.

But congressional sources said the House "rebels" felt a new man was needed to unite the Democrats before the Nov. 4 presidential and congressional elections against the Republican party and its standard bearer, Mr. Ronald Reagan, who enjoys a big lead over Mr. Carter in opinion polls.

The "rebels" were also said by the sources to be anxious to make clear their meetings should not be regarded as a drive to make Senator Kennedy the Democratic presidential nominee.

Senator Birch Bayh, the Indiana Democrat who is chairing a special Senate Judiciary subcommittee investigating the Billy Carter affair, said his panel would need evidence from President Carter and his wife, Rosalynn.

Riad Taha funeral in Lebanon 10 killed as strife disrupts cortege of slain journalist

BEIRUT, July 26 (R) -- At least ten people were killed today in armed clashes as the funeral procession for Mr. Riad Taha, assassinated head of the Lebanese Press Association, wound its way through the historic city of Baalbek. Many others were wounded.

Security sources said the clashes developed between supporters of the Muslim Shi'ite movement Amal and pro-Iraqi Baathists. They stopped after the intervention of Arab peace-keeping forces.

The cortege was heading for nearby Hermel, Mr. Taha's hometown, some 145 kilometres east of Beirut.

Mr. Taha, 53, and his driver were assassinated by unknown gunmen in Beirut Wednesday. The killings were widely condemned by both leftist and rightist figures in this deeply divided country.

Thousands of people had gathered at the approaches of Baalbek to await the arrival of the body from Beirut.

Mourners at the funeral included outgoing Premier Salim Al Hoss, government, religious and trade union representatives and delegates from neighbouring Arab states.

"We denounce and condemn all illegal military manifestations and

the logic of arms and armed men... the peaceful area has been terrorised by violations and irresponsible behaviour of armed men," Dr. Hoss said in a press statement after the clashes.

Judicial sources earlier said they were investigating whether Mr. Taha's assassination was part of an inter-Shi'ite feud.

U.N. Palestine plan considered a shoo-in

UNITED NATIONS, July 26 (Agencies) -- With passage of a modified U.N. General Assembly resolution upholding Palestinian statehood a near-certainty, attention is now focusing on the question of how big will the margin of victory be?

The draft resolution submitted last night by 29 non-aligned Islamic and communist nations calls on Israel to withdraw from occupied and unconditionally from Arab lands occupied since the 1967 Middle East war.

The draft was submitted before the 152-nation special session adjourned for the weekend. The resolution was expected to be considered Monday or Tuesday.

The newly submitted resolution was certain to get many votes but considered unlikely by many to have practical effect. An Israeli diplomat said he expected over 100 countries to vote for it.

A western diplomat said he thought that Israel, the United States, Canada, Australia, Iceland, and maybe Norway and New Zealand would vote against it.

He said the big question was how many abstentions there would be to trim the favourable vote. The European Common Market countries, engaged in their own peace effort, seemed likely to abstain.

Assembly resolutions are usually only recommendations. For the pending resolution has provisions intended to enforce it.

It authorises U.N. Secretary-General Dr. Kurt Waldheim to take the necessary measures "toward implementing the U.N. Palestinian rights committee's proposal to give the PLO the right to administer occupied Gaza Strip and West Bank for a Palestinian state."

It asks Dr. Waldheim to report results to next fall's Assembly session, asks the Security Council to meet to consider sanction in the event of Israel's noncompliance and established that the emergency session can be reconvened "upon request from member states."

67 U.S. tanks sold to Egypt for \$104m

WASHINGTON, July 26 (AP) -- The U.S. Defence Department has announced an unexpected sale of an additional 67 advanced M-60 tanks to Egypt.

In a letter asking for congressional approval of the sale, the Pentagon said Friday it wants to provide Egypt the additional 67 M-60-A-3 tanks with sophisticated gun-aiming equipment for about \$104 million instead of 130 M-48-A-5 tanks, which experts say are obsolete.

The new sale follows by four months an allotment of 244 M-60-A-3 tanks to replace the Egyptians' old Russian-supplied armour that is fast becoming unserviceable. That deal cost \$454.1 million and has been approved by the U.S. Congress.

The first M-60-A-3 tank is due for delivery to Egypt this coming December.

The M-60-A-3 represents a major advance over earlier models of the M-60 tank because it is equipped with a laser range-finder and electronic computer which gives it 105-millimetre gun greatly increased "first round hit" accuracy. Also built into the M-60-A-3 are night sights and other improved technology.

The Pentagon has also agreed to sell Israel 200 A-60-A-3 tanks with delivery beginning in June 1981 and continuing for six months.

The tank deals were negotiated as part of major arms packages for both countries promised by the United States to induce Tel Aviv and Cairo to complete a peace treaty.

2 interrogated in hijacking

KUWAIT, July 26 (R) -- Kuwaiti security forces today interrogated two Palestinians who surrendered last night after hijacking a Kuwait Airways Boeing 737 for 24 hours while demanding money.

The hijackers, armed with pistols, grenades and explosives, surrendered unconditionally and released all 34 people still on board the plane.

The hijackers had held the pilot at gunpoint and threatened crew and passengers with grenades as for 24 hours the plane shuttled between airports in the Gulf and Iran.

The two finally surrendered at Kuwait Airport. Kuwait Interior Minister Sheikh Nawaf Al Sabah and Defence Minister Sheikh Salim Al Sabah immediately started supervising interrogation of the two men, the Kuwait news agency said.

The agency identified the hijackers as Palestinians with Jordanian passports named Yusuf Mofleh and Uthman Yusuf Abdul Karim. Kuwait officials said earlier the two seized the plane to demand a vast sum of money they claimed was owed them by a Kuwaiti merchant.

Party rebels discuss 'dumping' Carter

WASHINGTON, July 26 (R) -- Fifty Democratic "rebels" in the House of Representatives have discussed seeking a new presidential candidate amid the controversy over ties between President Carter's brother Billy and the Libyan Jamahiriyyah, congressional sources said today.

The congressmen, who have held at least two meetings, talked about a possible "open" party convention in New York in August and a candidate other than Mr. Carter, the sources said.

Vice President Walter Mondale and Secretary of State Edmund Muskie were said to be among alternative candidates mentioned at the meetings.

The sources said some trade union leaders, including supporters of President Carter's rival for the nomination, Senator Edward Kennedy, had reported mounting criticism among their members over the Billy Carter affair and its possible effect on the Democrats' chances in the November election.

Billy Carter finally registered as an agent of the Libyan government on July 14 after revealing he had received \$220,000 in loans from the Libyan government. The Justice Department then dropped an investigation and decided there was no need to prosecute Billy Carter for not registering earlier.

White House spokesman Jody Powell, asked last night to assess the political damage the Billy Carter affair had caused his brother, said: "It is obviously an extremely difficult situation for us."

"But we feel confident we will come out right in the end," Mr. Powell said.

7,500 flee fiery U.S. derailment

MILWAUKEE, Kentucky, July 26 (AP) -- Ten railroad tankers loaded with highly toxic chemicals derailed near Fort Knox today, setting off fires and explosions and forcing the evacuation of about 7,500 people, officials said. Police sealed off a three-mile area after at least two tankers loaded with vinyl chloride exploded and began leaking. One witness said a black cloud hovered about 700 metres over the accident. Mr. Tom Little, a spokesman for the State Office of Disaster and Emergency Services, said another tanker carrying vinyl chloride was in danger of exploding from the heat of the fire. "We call this chemical 'bad stuff' in the business," said Mr. Little. "It is highly flammable and extremely toxic." At least four cars were burning.

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Amman to get international fairgrounds in five years

By a Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN, July 26 -- A 460,000-square-metre exhibition grounds which will house an "Amman International Fair" will be completed in five years' time, Amman Chamber of Industry Director Ali Dajani told the Jordan Times tonight.

Mr. Dajani said the fairground, to be located in the Marj Al Hammam area on the way to Na'ur, would be open all year round for Jordanian and Arab exhibitors, while international firms would be invited to participate in the fair during specified seasons.

Mr. Dajani said the idea for the Amman International Fair was initiated by His Highness Crown Prince Hassan during preparations for the country's three-year development plan (1973-1975), and was included in that scheme.

In 1975 the government formed a preparatory committee to study the project's feasibility and make plans for its implementation. The committee included representatives from the ministries of public works and industry and trade, the National Planning

Council (NPC) and the Ministry of Industry.

The preparatory committee here this morning, under the chairmanship of Mr. M. Saleh Hourani, the secretary of the Ministry of Industry and Trade. The committee has been "sanctioned by the ministers to take all the steps, including negotiating consultants, to make the plan and designs for the fair," Mr. Dajani said.

Mr. Dajani said the estimated cost of the fairground would range "between 20 million," adding a scheme would be implemented in stages.

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First of its kind in Middle East

Islamic Charity Hospital to open by start of 1981

By Fawzia Mai
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, July 25 -- Those who in charity spend of their goods by night and by day, in secret and in public, have their reward with their Lord: On them shall be no fear, nor shall they grieve.

(Koran, Surah II, Verse 274)

In an effort to implement this concept of Islamic charity, the Islamic Charity Centre has built and equipped a 325-bed charity hospital, the first of its scope and concept in the Middle East.

The hospital, situated next to the Ahli Hospital in Abdali, is intended to equal the King Hussein Medical Centre and Jordan University Hospital in quality and equipment, Dr. Adnan Jaljoui, director of the hospital, told the Jordan Times.

Its main aim is to provide medical care for those who cannot afford it. The Islamic Charity Hospital, explains Dr. Jaljoui, "is a practical way of implementing the Islamic thoughts by which we intend to help the poor and their medical treatment."

"We intend to charge the people who can afford to pay, and to treat the needy for free -- in whole or in part. Each case will be looked into by a trust which will receive the applications of the poor and decide how much they should pay the hospital out of the total fees."

The charity administration will therefore be totally separate from the hospital administration.

The hospital's finances will be mainly derived from three sources: The patients' fees, private donations, and a special fund that has already been established and should produce enough money to help the hospital run on its own.

The idea of establishing such a charity hospital was first put forward by the medical members of the Islamic Charity Centre as early as 1965. The actual building of the hospital, however, did not get

Amman woman slain by lover

AMMAN, July 26 (JT) -- A 25-year-old woman in Ashrafieh district was killed yesterday by one of her two lovers, who later admitted the motive was jealousy.

According to a police spokesman in Amman, the Ashrafieh police station was informed about the crime early in the morning by the victim's neighbours, who had found the woman, identified only as M.A.H., lying on the floor in a pool of blood.

A man whom the police were told was the victim's husband was detained for questioning, but admitted that he was not her husband, but a lover. He also informed the police about the existence of another lover who, he said, might have killed the woman.

Further police inquiries led to the arrest of the other lover, who promptly admitted the murder. His motive, he said, was revenge upon being shocked at the discovery that she had another lover.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Bridge Tournament

A duplicate bridge tournament will be held tomorrow at the Holiday Inn Ballroom at 7 p.m. followed by a buffet-dinner party. Separate tables will be arranged for non-participants who wish to accompany regular tournament players, and prizes for the winning couples will be distributed after dinner. Registration (JD 5) is at the Sales Office.

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under way until 1970. It will not open until the end of this year or the beginning of the next.

The main drawback all along has been financial support. "We need to cover the budget of the first six months before we can open it," Dr. Jaljoui said.

Besides helping the poor and needy, the hospital is also meant to fill serious gaps in Jordanian medical care. The private sector does not have a well-equipped hospital to deal with serious cases. Private patients have only the choice between the Jordan University Hospital (if they can afford it), or the King Hussein Medical Centre, if they are related to a member of the Armed Forces.

Another important function of the hospital, Dr. Jaljoui hopes, will be to "cooperate with the Ministry of Health and the Faculty of Medicine. Being affiliated with them, we shall be able to help in the teaching of undergraduates and the training of post-graduate doctors."

The Islamic Charity Hospital is also to have its own nursing school, to be situated behind the main building, which will offer a three-year diploma in nursing. The hospital will thus be assured of an adequate supply of nursing staff.

The hospital administration has already offered scholarships to students in the Ministry of Health, nursing school, thus providing itself with ten graduates a year. Since there is a chronic shortage of nursing staff in Jordan, "we believe we will thus help the profession a great deal," Dr. Jaljoui said.

To make sure it is staffed with top experts in each field, the hospital will work with doctors in three categories: those who will work full-time; the part-timers who will have scheduled hours, and private doctors, who can have their own patients admitted to the hospital to take advantage of ancillary services such as nursing, laboratory analysis and resident care provided by the hospital.

Other doctors will work at the Islamic Charity Hospital under the category of Visiting Doctors. "We have contacts," Dr. Jaljoui explained, "with the medical profession both in Jordan and outside; with the Islamic Medical Societies in the U.S. and Great Britain. Highly specialised doctors in certain fields will come and work here for one or more months, and specific difficult cases will be solved for them."

One very important aspect of the Islamic Charity Hospital's work will be its Special Care Baby Unit, which is to be the best in the country. The only other hospital to possess an adequate neonatal

special care unit is the Jordan University Hospital. The section is to house 30 cots, 38 incubators, (box-like beds to maintain precisely-controlled temperature and atmosphere), 10 phototherapy units (to treat jaundiced babies), four respirators (artificial lungs), and other specialised equipment.

The hospital will be open to all patients regardless of nationality or religion. Those who wish to donate to the Islamic Charity Hospital should call telephone numbers 65292 or 65293, or write to: P.O. Box 2414 or 925693.

AMMAN, July 26 (JNA)--Measures to be adopted in the fight against cholera will be discussed at a meeting to be held here on Tuesday under the chairmanship of Health Minister Zuhair Malhas.

Health Ministry sources said that water supply in the Jordan Valley, hygiene and general conditions in the refugee camps and Muslim pilgrims' camps will be discussed by the Higher Executive Committee for Combating Cholera. The committee groups the mayor of Amman; the president of the Jordan Valley Authority; under-secretaries of the ministries of interior, Awqaf, health, municipal and rural affairs and the environment, agriculture, information and reconstruction and development; as well as the directors of the army medical corps, the Water Supply Corporation and the Amman Water and Sewerage Authority and the vice president of the Natural Resources Authority.

IRBID, July 26 (JT)--Three young girls were killed and three other people injured in a road accident between Irbid and the northern Jordan Valley, a report in *Al Ra'i* newspaper said today. The three girls killed were aged between three and eight years. The injured were rushed to the Princess Basma Hospital in Irbid for treatment. The car in which they were travelling was said to have gone off the road and overturned.

AMMAN, July 26 (JT)--A statistical bulletin issued by the Ministry of Supply states that Jordanian exports of food supplies dropped by 70 per cent last month in comparison with the previous month. It said a total of JD 1,022,776 worth of food products were exported, chiefly comprising livestock, spices, chicken, eggs, sweets, cheese, nuts, chick peas, canned beans, canned fruit juice, detergents and table salt. Imports in the same period were worth JD 8,311,569, and the main products imported were olives, fish, tomato paste, fodder, meat, barley, beans, corn, lentils, fruit juice, mineral water, coffee, dates and tea. According to the bulletin most of Jordanian exports went to Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the Gulf countries, Iraq, Syria and Lebanon.

RAMTHA, July 26 (JNA)--New measures will be put into force at the border post here during 'Eid Al Fitr, with the aim of facilitating travel to and from Syria, it was announced at the end of a meeting held here today. The meeting was chaired by the Interior Minister Ali Bashir, and attended by the director of the Public Security Directorate and the governor of Irbid. They decided to reinforce the staff working at the police, passport and customs sections at the post. At the end of the meeting, the minister toured these sections and was briefed on their operations.

AMMAN, July 26 (JT)--Receipts by the Income Tax Department over the past six months registered an increase of JD 13.45 million over the same period in 1979, a department spokesman said today. He said the increase was due to the introduction of a better system of collection and an increase in the number of taxpayers.

IRBID, July 26 (JNA)--The Telecommunications Corporation (TCC) announced today that it has completed the installation of

Syrian in Amman to promote idea of engineers' federation

By a Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN, July 26--Syrian engineer Mr. Walid Al Khani arrived here tonight for a one-day visit to promote the establishment of a federation of Arab consulting engineers.

Mr. Khani, who originally proposed the establishment of the federation to the Tunis-based Arab Engineering Union, will brief the more than 190 registered consulting engineers here at a meeting tomorrow on the charter and basic regulations of the proposed federation. He is on a tour of member federations of the Arab Engineering Union.

Mr. Awni Al Masri, the president of the Jordanian Engineers' Association, told the Jordan Times the proposed federation aims at "organising the profession" of engineering consultancy.

It would solicit on behalf of the consultants "freedom of movement and operation in the Arab World," he added.

The most important benefit of the proposed federation, according to Mr. Masri, is "to make known to decision-makers in the Arab World the experiences and capabilities of the member consulting offices" so that they would be given the opportunity to compete with foreign consulting engineers.

Local News Briefs

AMMAN, July 26 (JT)--The Aqaba Port Corporation has embarked on establishing a modern telecommunications station at Aqaba port, a spokesman for the Ministry of Transport said here today. The aim of the new station, he said, is to secure speedy contacts between Aqaba and the rest of the world's ports.

AMMAN, July 26 (JNA)--Jordanian-Saudi Arabian talks were in Amman today on a project to build an artificial lake in Aqaba project, to be financed by the Saudi Arabian Research Development Corporation and the Jordanian government expected to cost JD 120 million. The meeting, which took place Ministry of Tourism, was attended by the chairman of the board of directors of the Saudi corporation and the Jordanian minister tourism, industry and trade and culture and youth.

AMMAN, July 26 (JT)--The Jordanian Veterinarians' Assoc is now carrying out preparations for the holding of the first veterinary conference, in Amman this September. The conf. will be attended by 200 Arab veterinarians as well as several specialists, an association spokesman said. The General Federation of Arab Veterinarians decided to hold the conference during meeting in Baghdad last March.

AMMAN, July 26 (JT)--The Jordanian-Bulgarian joint economic committee will hold a meeting in Sofia in September, according report in the local press. The committee is charged with discussing means of boosting trade relations between Jordan and Bulgaria.

AMMAN, July 26 (JNA)--The Health Ministry announced that it will increase by 25 per cent its hospitals' capacity for training new doctors. According to the Under-Secretary of the Ministry of Health, Dr. Rizk Al Rashdan, the step was taken in view of increase in the number of newly graduated doctors who are in training before going on to practise the profession. He said the ministry hopes that other hospitals in the country will follow the ministry's lead by increasing the number of doctors undergoing training.

AMMAN, July 26 (JT)--The Ministry of Culture and Youth received an invitation to attend the 17th conference on the plastic to be held in Yugoslavia next month.

AMMAN, July 26 (JNA)--The military governor today ended sentences passed by the military court on 98 merchants for violating Ministry of Supply regulations. They were each fined JD 20.

KARAK, July 26 (JNA)--The Development Bank Municipalities and Village Councils has approved a JD 30,000 to Karak Municipality. The money will be used to finance the construction of a compound of municipality offices.

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Mazin Quteishat: A youth undaunted by blindness

Text and photos by Ron Cathell
Jordan Times Staff Reporter

LT, July 26 — Mazin Quteishat is an unusual 16-year-old Jordanian boy. He goes to high school in the United States, plays 12 musical instruments, knows his way around Salt like an oldtimer, and is blind.

At the age of three, Mazin lost sight for reasons doctors have yet been able to explain. But his blindness has not slowed down young Mazin.

One month after graduating at age of 14 (at the level of ninth grade) from the Institute for the Blind in Ashrafieh, Mazin was proudly selected from his class to attend high school in the United States.

The programme was arranged by His Highness Prince Ra'd who, Mazin told the Jordan Times, wanted to help out by giving him the opportunity to study at a high school for the blind.

There are no high schools here that specialise in education for blind. Even the Institute for the Blind (grades one through six) is poorly equipped for the blind students, Mazin says.

Though there are enough good teachers, there are not enough books printed in braille or enough tapes and tapes. And public schools in Jordan are even less prepared for educating the blind, he explained, relating his family's home on one of the highest hilltops overlooking downtown Salt.

Mazin grew up in Salt. He knows the town as well as the old residents, and can give specific directions to any stranger about anything that can be found. He made his way around as a boy in the neighbourhood near his father's general store.

He is especially familiar with the area near his house. He walks up and down the steep stairways, on which a wrong move could be fatal. He doesn't allow the danger to bother him. In fact, Mazin proudly likes to be able to do anything with sight as he is able to do.

Going to Overbrook School for the Blind in Philadelphia has given him the chance to prove it. "Being blind doesn't bother me, because I can do just about everything people with sight can do," he said. Unfortunately, people with sight think that blind people can't do anything. So I like to get that out of their heads."

For example, Mazin enjoys getting such sceptics into a card game. After he beats them, their preconceived ideas about the blind are radically changed.

"A lot of people have the wrong idea about the blind. They're

afraid of them. It's really stupid," he said.

Mazin and his family are very proud of his accomplishments at Overbrook and the fact that he is the first—and, so far, the only—student there from the Arab World, and Mazin is glad.

"Otherwise I never would have learned English. I would have spent my time with them (Arab students) and would have spoken Arabic the whole time," he said.

When Mazin was chosen to go to Overbrook, he was ambivalent about the prospects.

"I was happy and worried at the same time," he said. "I was hesitant because my English was very weak. I was only 14 when I arrived in the U.S., and I knew that I would be able to come home only once a year."

McDonald's restaurant.

Only privileged students are able to eat there, because the famous hamburger restaurant is off campus. To journey off campus a student must have a "mobility" pass, which is earned by passing a test, taking instructions using a cane in public places, and showing an ability to know one's way around certain areas.

The normal mobility pass allows a student to journey off campus alone only in a certain specified area. A more advanced mobility pass, however, means a student can explore anywhere off campus, even if that means riding buses. Mazin holds such an advanced pass.

"That one is important," he said, "because you can use it to go to McDonalds."

good school. It has lots of activities. Besides parties and concerts, there are sports and music. We have a track team, a swimming team and a wrestling team. And there are a boys' and a girls' ensemble, a mixed ensemble, a choir and a handbell group."

Mazin is on all the sporting teams, and is also a member of the handbell group. As if that were not enough, he has managed to find time to join the Boy Scouts. "There are so many things to do. You never get bored," he said.

After two years, Overbrook has become a second home for him. He is so attached to the school and his friends that he already dreads the day when he must leave.

With one more year left in school, Mazin has begun thinking about how he can stay in the U.S. to work and go to university.

"I would love to stay in the United States and go to university there. That's my aim. But I don't know how, moneywise. It's very expensive," he said.

Mazin hopes he may qualify for a special grant or scholarship from any American university. He wants to study either law or music at a school equipped to educate the blind. Mazin has studied music for 10 years, and would like further to develop his talents.

Although he would be delighted to live back in Jordan after finishing high school, instead of just visiting here during summer vacations, Mazin is concerned about the quality of higher education here for the blind.

"I would have a lot of difficulties in my studies if I stayed here," he said. "I'm not aware of any special programmes or facilities in universities here for the blind."

"There aren't enough books for the blind, and there aren't any records or tapes. I'm used to the States, so it would be really hard for me to come study here."

Mazin hopes some arrangements can be made to enable him to stay and study in the U.S. And he is grateful to Prince Ra'd for making it possible for him to experience education in the United States. Mazin would like to see other enthusiastic blind Jordanian students follow in his footsteps.



Mazin Quteishat: "People with sight often think that blind people can't do anything. I like to get that idea out of their heads."

His first three months in the U.S. were extremely difficult. On several occasions he was ready to come home because he was having a hard time adjusting to the language, food and culture.

"I was ready to come back the second day," he said, recalling the tough times he had in those early days at Overbrook. "I couldn't understand the people. They spoke too fast. But I waited it out and now I love it. I really do."

Mazin has grown especially fond of American food, and now, sitting at home in Salt, he tantalises himself by thinking of eating a steak sandwich topped with melted cheese and hot peppers. And he has also become addicted to such specialties as American hamburgers and pizza. One of his favourite places to eat is a

Of the 250 students at Overbrook, not all are totally blind, and most live on campus. Mazin lives in the boys' dormitory, and has a room to himself.

He keeps himself very busy, rising early to be at class by 8:15 a.m. Classes continue until 3 p.m., with half an hour for lunch.

From 3 p.m. to 5:30 he works out in sports, or practises music, and then has most of the evening free to study, talk with friends or "walk around with a girlfriend or something," he said bashfully with a wide grin across his face.

Mazin has made many friends, both boys and girls, but he admits to having a "special girlfriend" waiting for him.

"I really have a very tight schedule. I like to fit everything in," he said. "Overbrook is a very

TODAY'S WEATHER

It will be summery weather, with northwesterly moderate winds. In Aqaba, winds will be northerly moderate and seas calm.

	Overnight	Daytime
Amman	17	31
Aqaba	25	38
Deserts	19	37
Jordan Valley	23	38

The high temperature in Amman on Saturday was 31, while that in Aqaba was 37.

People ...in the news

FAMILIES have a tendency to grow by leaps and bounds, and the Jordan Times family has been doing just that.

It was with delight that the staff here learned of two births on Thursday, within the space of a few hours. Former editor-in-chief and current contributing editor Rami Khowr and wife Ellen are now the proud parents of the irrepressible Haitham, while sports and economy pages editor

Samir Ghawi and wife Maha weighed in on the same day with a strapper to be known as Shafi ("not Shafiq," insists Samir, who foresees endless problems in the future with that finli qaf).

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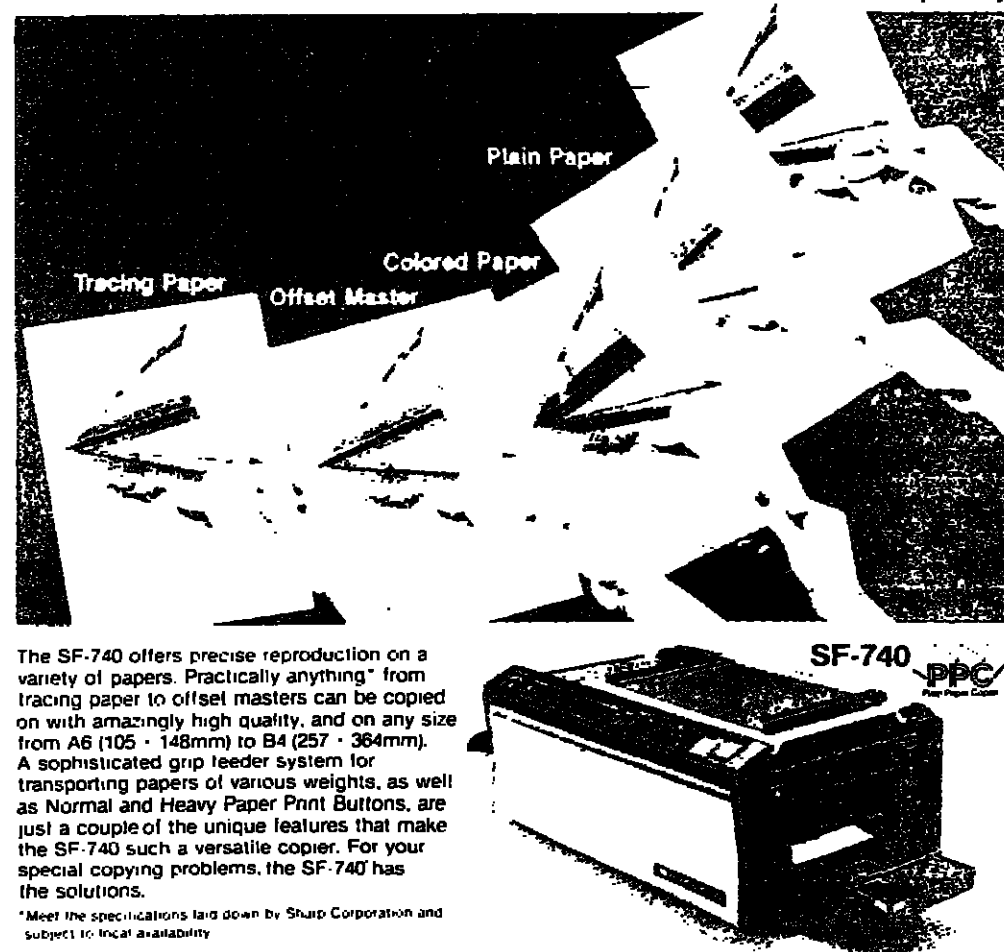
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Company	Par Value	Number Traded	High	Low	Closing Price
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Arab Cement Factories Co.	JD 10.000	90	18.000	18.000	18.000
Arab Phosphate Mines Co.	JD 1.000	688	3.100	3.100	3.100
Arab-Kuwait Bank	JD 1.000	2009	2.190	2.170	2.190
Arab-Gulf Bank	JD 1.000	9000	1.500	1.500	1.500
Arab Mining Co.	JD 1.000	2000	1.440	1.430	1.430
Arab Electricity Co.	JD 1.000	1184	1.900	1.870	1.900
Arab Chemical Industries	JD 1.000	300	1.250	1.250	1.250
Arab Aluminium Co.	JD 1.000	1250	1.200	1.180	1.200
Arab Industrial, Commercial and Agricultural Co.	JD 1.000	2250	3.080	3.080	3.080
Arab Dairy Co.	JD 1.000	8173	1.350	1.340	1.350
Arab Islamic Bank	JD 1.000	35851	2.100	2.050	2.100
Arab Development Bank	JD 1.000	50	1.350	1.350	1.350
Arab National Bank	JD 5.000	109	15.600	15.600	15.600
Arab Bank	JD 10.000	600	15.500	15.500	15.500
Arab International Hotels Co.	JD 1.000	100	0.930	0.930	0.930
Arab Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Co.	JD 5.000	129	25.900	25.900	25.900
Arab Industrial Construction and Development Co.	JD 1.000	1000	0.900	0.900	0.900
Arab Steel Industry	JD 1.000	2750	2.100	2.090	2.090

Total Volume Traded on Saturday, July 26, 1980:
JD 129,366

Total number of shares traded: 67,387

Government Development Bonds

Year of Maturity	Par Value	Number Traded	Volume Traded	High	Low
1989	JD 10.000	420	4200	10.000	10.000

U.S. sees optimistic world trade prospects

WASHINGTON, July 26 (AP) — The U.S. Department of Commerce sees excellent prospects for U.S. sales to the far east and South Asia, with U.S. exports rising faster than imports in the first five months of this year.

A semi-annual world trade outlook, part of the department's publication "Foreign Commerce," reported yesterday that U.S. exports grew 25 per cent over those in the same period last year. Significantly faster than imports. The exports to poor countries grew faster than those to Japan and Australia.

But the U.S. trade deficit with the region still amounted to \$4.1 billion for the period with U.S. imports at \$25.7 billion.

JAPAN — Japan dominates U.S. trade with the region, though U.S. exports there are expected to account for only 17.5 per cent of what the U.S. sells in the country this year, compared with 19.7 per cent in 1979. U.S. exports to Japan are projected at \$20.2 billion for the year. The U.S. deficit for the January-May period was \$4.1 billion compared with \$3.7 billion in 1979.

The survey reports that Japanese still contend that U.S. companies do not make a genuine effort to penetrate the market, while American traders assert that Japan blocks their access with an

elaborate system of restrictive measures.

TAIWAN — This continues to be one of the most promising markets in Asia for U.S. goods and services, the survey says. From January through April 1980, U.S. exports were 59 per cent higher than they were in the same period last year, and U.S. imports also showed marked growth.

The trade in formal diplomatic relations between Taiwan and the United States, and between Taiwan and the International Monetary Fund had no detectable effects on the country's economic growth, the survey reported.

AUSTRALIA — A bright outlook for the medium and long term in Australia's economy, judged to be increased U.S. exports, housing, development, and mining investment are expected to provide a strong impetus to the country's growth.

The survey notes U.S. companies must invest \$1.5 billion in Australia this year, 25 per cent more than in 1979.

SOUTH AFRICA — Through the country's economic growth, the survey suggests that U.S. firms have a number of opportunities for sales in the long term. These include metal-mining and fishing equipment, equipment for handling minerals,

and for the generation, transmission and distribution of power.

Growth of Korea's imports for the rest of the year is expected to centre on energy sources, essential raw materials and commodities.

INDIA — Despite India's economic problems, U.S. exports are expanding. U.S. exports to the country through May were \$290 million more than for the same period in 1979. Because of India's restrictions on the import of consumer goods and some equipment, the market for U.S. manufactured goods is largely for high technology items.

Under Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, import policy continues the modest trend toward liberalization started by the previous government, the survey found.

PHILIPPINES — U.S. exports have grown rapidly — 82 per cent in 1979. The greatest increases were in specialized industrial machinery and parts of electronic machines and semi-conductors. These two lines can be expected to show "dynamic" growth, the report says.

It finds American companies in the area very optimistic about future opportunities, suggesting that restrictions on investment should be interpreted "liberally."

Meanwhile, U.S. exports to the

Near East - North Africa region should surpass \$15 billion this year, the U.S. Department of Commerce said in its semi-annual report.

It said the best U.S. performance in the area was in North Africa, where the U.S. substantially increased sales to Algeria, Libya, Morocco, Tunisia and Egypt during the first four months of 1980.

Referring to Saudi Arabia, the department said total U.S. imports from Saudi Arabia, estimated at \$25 billion in 1979, are increasing at a rate of 25 per cent annually. U.S. exports to Saudi Arabia in 1979 were nearly \$5 billion and may increase by 20 per cent this year.

With a market share of slightly higher than 20 per cent, the United States remains Saudi Arabia's leading supplier of goods and services, the report said.

U.S. exports to Egypt from January through May this year amounted to \$559 million and are likely to surpass the annual record level of \$1.4 billion set in 1979.

The report said Egypt continues to progress in its economic reform programme.

U.S. exports to Israel increased slightly in the first four months of 1980 to \$596 million from \$570 million in the same period last year, it said.

Economic News Briefs

Mexico's Lopez in Brazil for economic talks

BRASILIA, July 26 (R) — Mexican President Jose Lopez Portillo arrives here tomorrow for a state visit to Brazil aimed at strengthening economic and trade cooperation between the two countries. Diplomatic sources said several bilateral accords on trade exchanges and technological cooperation were expected to be signed. Brazil is interested in receiving more Mexican oil. Mexico has expressed an interest in purchasing Brazilian iron ore. Brazil, which imports more than 80 per cent of its oil needs, receives 20,000 barrels a day from Mexico. This could increase to 40,000 or 50,000 barrels a day in two years, the sources said.

Africans to finance communications network

YAOUNDE, Cameroon, July 26 (R) — All the delegations at a pan-African conference on communications support the idea of a fund to finance a better communications network for the continent, conference sources said today. The 10-day conference, sponsored by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, opened here on Tuesday. Delegates have agreed to set up two committees. One committee, is examining the general problem of communications in Africa. The other is looking into the specific difficulties surrounding the introduction of modern communications.

particularly the financial and technological aspects.

Acera Radio reported today that a telecommunications network linking the capitals of the 16 member countries of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) was expected to begin next year. It quoted the executive secretary of ECOWAS saying that a feasibility study on the project had already been completed and that a committee was studying monetary cooperation among the 16 member states.

U.S. approves Japanese nuclear plans

TOKYO, July 26 (R) — The United States has agreed to allow Japanese nuclear fuel reprocessing plant to expand operations by one year until next April, the science and technology agency said today. The United States also approved a Japanese plan to put plutonium conversion facilities by 1982 near the reprocessing plant at the Pacific coastal village of Tokai, a spokesman said. Under agreement with the United States, the Tokai reprocessing plant started testing operations in 1977 to reprocess 99 tons of spent nuclear fuel, but the operation was delayed because of radioactive leakage. The United States, which supplies Japan's enriched nuclear fuel needs, has power of veto over the country's reprocessing operations.

FORECAST FOR SUNDAY, JULY 27, 1980

YOUR DAILY Horoscope

from the Carroll Righter Institute

GENERAL TENDENCIES: Because of planetary influences you could run into some problems of a minor nature early in the day, but conditions return to normal later. Put more zest into your activities.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19): Try to understand the expectations of those who have power over your affairs today. Gain more prestige in public matters.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20): Morning is fine for studying new interests and making plans for the future. Show more thoughtfulness for others.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21): Finish that work you started and then be off to the fascinating activities that appeal to you. Sidestep an opponent.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21): You can work out a difficult problem with the help of others early in the day. Plan the new week wisely.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21): Attend to routine chores early in the day so you'll have time for social activities later. Show others you have power.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22): Daytime hours are best for being with good friends and relatives, and reserve personal duties for the evening.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22): Pay more attention to family members and have more harmony at home. Make plans to have more abundance in the future.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21): Take those extra steps that are needed to gain your personal aims. Sidestep one who likes to impose on you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21): Try to please close ties today instead of worrying about personal affairs. Engage in favorite hobby.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20): Daytime hours are best for handling personal matters. Schedule social activities for the coming week.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19): Take care of private affairs early in the day and then join congenial at recreation you enjoy. Have a delightful time.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20): You need to apply yourself more to gain your personal aims at this time. Show more consideration for the one you love.

LOCAL EXCHANGE RATES

U.S. dollar	299.00/291.00	French franc	7.19/7.20
U.K. sterling	697.20/695.20	Dutch guilder	45.10/45.00
West German mark	186.20/187.30	Swiss franc	4.76/4.75
Swiss franc	186.20/187.30	Belgian franc	46.10/46.00
Italian lire	336.00/337.00	Japanese yen	163.00/164.00
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Fed lowers discount rate

WASHINGTON, July 26 (R) — The Federal Reserve Board, the U.S. Central Bank, said yesterday it was lowering its discount rate from 11 to 10 per cent with effect from Monday.

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Olympic Roundup

From Reuters in Moscow

with goals by Andrej Mysliwiec, Jerzy Wybieralski (3), Włodzimierz Stanisławski, Leszek Torz (2), Henryk Horwat and Jan Mielniczak.

ROWING: East Germany dominated the women's finals in the Olympic rowing regatta today, winning four gold medals, a silver and a bronze in six events. The Soviet Union picked up five medals, including a gold in double sculls, three silvers and a bronze.

Romania's Sanda Toma won the single sculls and her teammates finished third in two events. Poland won a silver medal and Bulgaria two bronze.

None of the four Western entries made any serious challenge to the East Europeans. The Netherlands coxed four finished sixth and last, the Australian coxed four were fifth and last, and the British eight were also fifth and last.

Britain's Beryl Mitchell finished fifth in the single sculls, just ahead of a Polish rower in last place.

Four sets of twins will be competing in the Olympic rowing finals tomorrow. Bernd and Jörg Lanwigt of East Germany are favourites to take the gold in the pair without cox, the event they won at the Montreal Olympics in 1976.

Competing against them will be the Soviet twins, Yuri and Nikolay Pimenov, the silver medal winners in the last world championships.

Roland and Peter Stocker are competing for Switzerland in the four without cox event.

EQUESTRIAN: The cross-country section of the Olympic equestrian three-day event unexpectedly left Italy and the Soviet Union in the lead today with the elimination of the previously dominant Polish team.

Federico Euro Roman, captain of the Italian team on Rosinamp was placed first with only 48.8 faults over the 30-kilometre course, giving him a good chance for the individual gold after tomorrow's showjumping.

Soviet Alexander Blinov was second in overall placings, with compatriot Yuri Salnikov third. Their performance put the Soviet Union top in team placings.

The Poles dropped out as a team when their four riders failed to complete the course. Under competition rules, three riders must finish for the team to rank in overall standings.

ATHLETICS: Maria Colon of Cuba upset the might of Eastern

Europe by winning the women's javelin gold medal on the second day of the Olympic athletics programme yesterday.

Colon, the 22-year-old pan-American games champion, won the event in the same stadium in the spartan meeting here a year ago, but few outside Cuba had seen her as a real threat to the all-conquering javelin stars of the Soviet Union and East Germany.

There was no stopping the Cuban girl after her opening throw of 68.40 metres. It went way beyond the Olympic record of 66.66 set by East German Ute Richter in Thursday's qualifying competition.

The best the East Europeans managed was a silver medal for Russian Saida Gunba, who managed 67.76 metres, and a bronze for East German Ute Hommla, who threw 66.56.

GYMNASICS: A Romanian official said yesterday that the country's gymnastics star Nadia Comaneci had been deprived of a gold medal by a conspiracy among some of the Eastern bloc judges.

Bela Karolyi, gymnastics team coach, told reporters that "you cannot expect anything else" in the Soviet Union.

The Romanian coach, in turn, was accused of "unsportsmanlike" behaviour by an official of the International Gymnastics Federation who said the Romanian coach had tried to influence the judging when Comaneci lost her Olympic individual title Thursday night.

"He acts unfairly and uses unsportsmanlike methods," she said. "He has no right to talk to the judges."

Comaneci, 18, shared the silver medal after the Romanian chief judge had tried unsuccessfully to persuade the others to change their marks for the final routine. She complained that they had penalised Comaneci too harshly for a mistake she made on the beam.

But after a row lasting about half an hour among the judges, who included a Russian, a Pole, a Czechoslovak and a Bulgarian, federation officials ruled that the votes should stand. The Russian and Polish judges gave Comaneci the lowest marks.

The row, which provoked shouts and catcalls from Comaneci's supporters in the Palace of Sports, spread yesterday to Romania where the press claimed that Comaneci had been defrauded of her title.

The trouble began when Maria Simionescu, the head of the panel of judges -- changed for each exercise -- refused to enter into the official computer the marks awarded by the other judges.

"She tried to get a better mark for her, she wanted the other judges to alter their marks,"

The judges refused and in the end ordered the Romanian to press the button which enters the marks into the computer system.

An overall mark of 9.95 would have given Comaneci the gold medal. She was given an average of 9.85, which put her in joint second place with East Germany's Maxi Gnauck. The gold medal went to Russia's Yelena Davydova, a tiny, 18-year-old student competing in the Olympics for the first time.

FENCING: Vladimir Lapitsky, of the Soviet Union, was pierced through the chest by a broken sword in the Olympic men's foil final between the Soviet Union and Poland today.

Lapitsky, 21, making his debut in the Olympics, and Adam Jabak, of Poland, attacked simultaneously and the Pole's foil broke against the side of Lapitsky's mask.

As the Russian turned away to avoid a collision, Robak's broken foil went through the protective clothing at the back of Lapitsky's arms and came out through the front of his chest.

Lapitsky was unconscious when taken off the piste, but it was believed the broken foil was deflected by his rib cage and did not damage the heart.

This is the first serious injury to occur in any Olympic fencing championship.

The Soviet Union brought in a reserve and continued the match which it was leading 6-3 at the time of the accident.

SHOOTING: A Danish factory worker captured the last gold medal of the Olympic shooting event today when he won the skeet as a pigeon contest in a rare five-man shoot-off.

Hans Kjeld Rasmussen took the first place with a perfect score of 25 in both rounds of the tie-breaker, which ended the seven days of competition at the Dinamo Range outside Moscow.

Sweden's Lars-Göran Carlsson took the silver medal and the bronze went to Roberto Castrillo of Cuba.

Five marksmen had tied for first place with 196 points out of a possible 200 during the climax of the three-day event. Carlsson and Castrillo both sailed through the first round of the shoot-off without missing a target. But Carlsson missed one and Castrillo two in the decider.

Italy's Celso Giardini and Pavil Pulda of Czechoslovakia tied for fourth place after each missing one target in the first round of the shoot-off.

WIMMING: East German Helke Dahne stormed to a new Olympic record in the qualifying heats of the Olympic 800 metres freestyle swimming event today.

Dahne touched home in 8:36.04, clipping a full second off the Olympic record set by fellow East German Petra Thümer in Montreal. Dahne's close rival Ines Diers qualified second despite strong challenge by Australian Michelle Ford who took third place in the overall heat placings.

World record holder Petra Schneider, from East Germany, missed to a comfortable victory in her qualifying heat of the women's 400 metre individual medley.

Schneider finished in 4:46.53, almost three seconds in front of the second place qualifier Agnieszka Czapke of Poland and a full eight seconds outside her world record for the event, set this May.

In the men's 200 metre backstroke heats Hungarian Sándor Nádor took first place, less than a second ahead of fellow Hungarian Zoltan Verrasztó, who pipped Australian Mark Kerry for second place.

In the men's 200 metre breaststroke heats Soviet swimmer Gerasim Zolupa and former 200 metre world record holder Arsen Iskharov captured the first two qualifying places. Alban Vermes of Hungary beat Lindsay Spencer into fourth qualifying place in closely contested second heat.

Jörg Wothke of East Germany won the men's 100m freestyle heats in the fastest time of 50.49, closely pressed by Martin Smith of Britain and Per Holmertz of Sweden.

HOCKEY: India beat the Soviet Union 4-2 here today to reach the final of the Olympic hockey tournament, and Poland qualified for the bronze medal playoff with a 9-1 win over Tanzania. India will contest the gold medal against Spain, who still have to meet Cuba but have already qualified for the final.

The Indians, eight times Olympic gold medalists, completely outplayed the less experienced Russians and were leading 2-0 by halftime with goals by Deavinder Singh and Surinder Singh.

Surinder Singh scored his 13th goal of the tournament early in the second half to become top scorer in the tournament and Jaharaj Krishan Kaushik netted India's fourth goal near the end of the match.

The Soviet Union's goals were both scored in the second half by Alexander Gusev and Farit Zigangirov.

Stephan d'Silva scored Tanzania's first goal of the Olympic tournament here in the match against Poland to draw his team level 1-1 at the start of the game. But the Poles then surged ahead

GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES H. GOREN AND OMAR SHARIF
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South vulnerable. South deals.
NORTH
♠ A Q 9 8 4
♥ 8 5 2
♦ 9 4
♣ 8 6 3

EAST
♠ J 3 2
♥ A 10 7 5
♦ A Q 10 6
♣ J 5
A 10
♠ J 9 5 2

South leads ♠ 6. West takes the ace and declarer tries the spade finesse, which succeeds. When the ace of spades is felled the king, declarer was able to cash out two long spades. He discarded two diamonds and a club from his hand.

Declarer now had six tricks, and it would seem that he could establish a seventh by leading a club and forcing out the ace. But watch what happens when West takes the ace of clubs and runs his three diamond tricks. West comes down to the ten of clubs and a heart, while East holds the ace-queen of hearts. Declarer is squeezed—he cannot both guard the king of hearts and also hold onto the king of clubs. No matter how he discards, the defenders can take the rest of the tricks.

When English star Martin Hoffman was declarer, he foresaw the end position. He worked out that he could not make the contract unless East had the ace of hearts. So instead of leading a club from dummy, he led a heart. Now, as long as he guessed what card West held at trick thirteen, he could not be prevented from making his contract.

A lot of hard work for very little, for if North had bid two spades instead of passing one no trump, he would have had no problem in coming to eight tricks as the cards lie.

It is not always game or lam hands that demand great skill. Even a lowly part score can require delicate handling, as this hand illustrates.

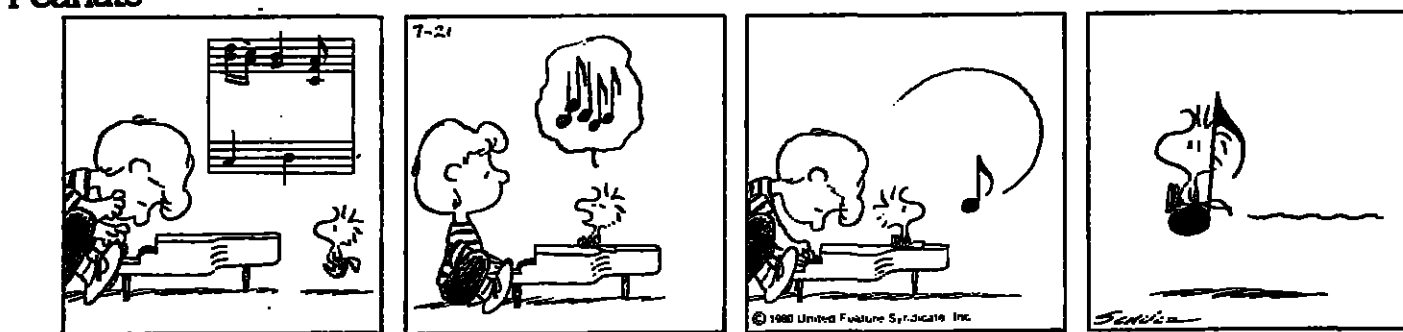
North-South were playing 15-17 point no trump, but in a way does that condone North's decision to pass. With a good five-card major he would always take out to the suit, regardless of what form of bridge we were playing, duplicate or rubber.

Against South's one no trump, West led his fourth-spade diamond. Declarer won the jack with the king and led spade to the eight and ten.

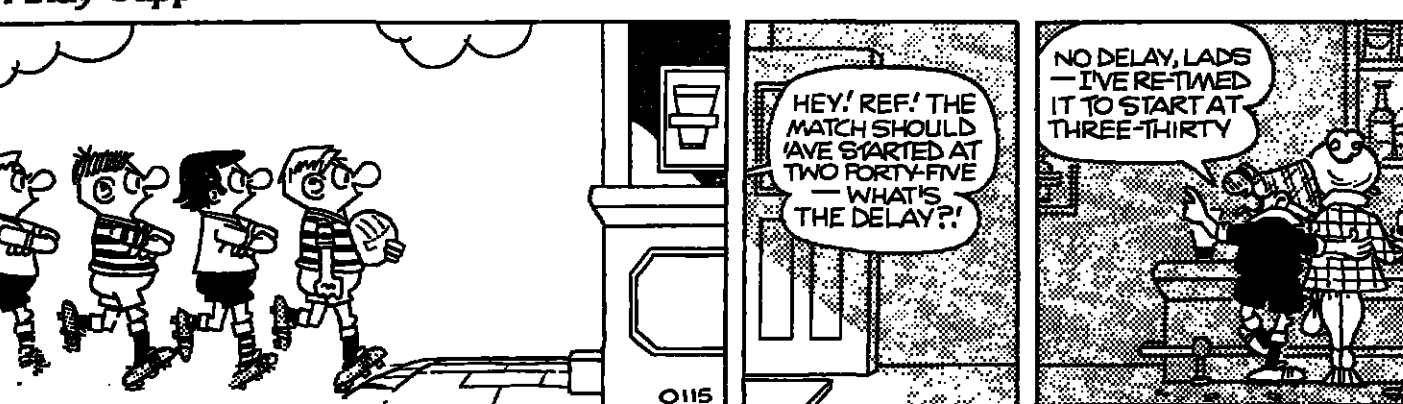
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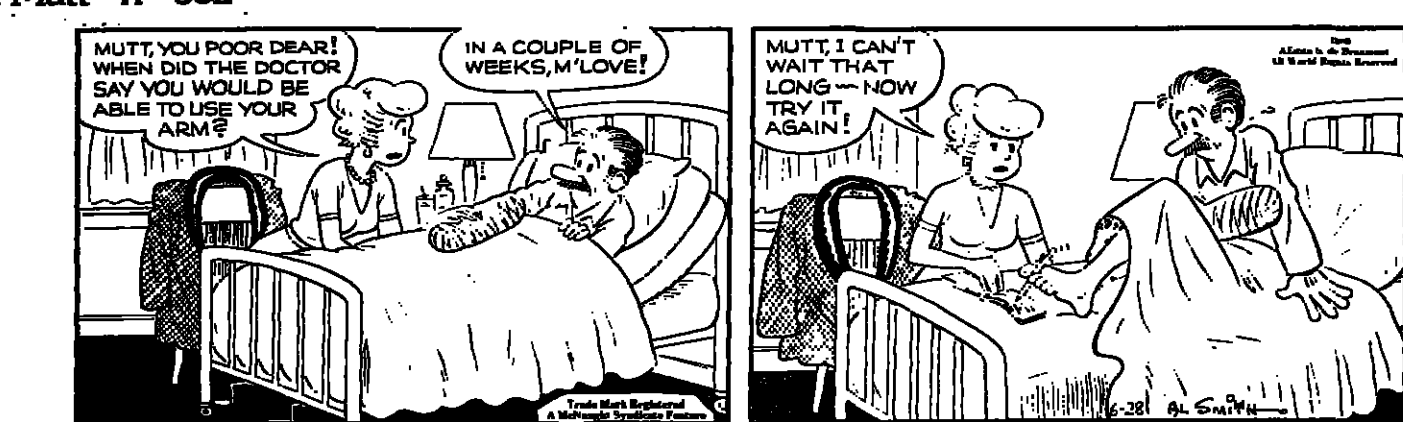
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